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November 15, 2013

Kathleen M Caruso, PA-C
redacted

RE: In the Matter of Kathleen M Caruso, PA-C
License No. PA33
Complaint Docket No. PA-2013-006

Dear Ms. Kathleen M Caruso:

I have enclosed for your files an original copy of the Consent Agreement for Reprimand in the above-referenced matter, which has been signed and dated by the Board of Registration of Physician Assistants.

Thank you for your cooperation in resolving this matter.

Sincerely,

Ichelle Herbu
Assistant Executive Director
Board of Registration of Physician Assistants

Enclosure

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

SUFFOLK COUNTY

BOARD OF REGISTRATION
OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

In the Matter of)
Kathleen M. Caruso, PA-C)
License No. PA33)
License Expiration Date: 3/01/2015)

DOCKET NO. PA-2013-006

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CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR REPRIMAND

The Massachusetts Board of Physician Assistants ("Board") and Kathleen M. Caruso, holder of Physician Assistant ("PA") License No. PA33 ("Licensee"), hereby stipulate and agree that the following information shall be entered into, and become a permanent part of, the Licensee's records that are maintained by the Board:

1. The Licensee acknowledges that a complaint has been filed with the Board against her Massachusetts Physician Assistant license, License No. PA33, identified as Docket No. PA-2013-006 ("Complaint").
2. The Licensee acknowledges that following the expiration of her Physician Assistant license on March 1, 2013, she continued, while unlicensed, to practice as a Physician Assistant under the supervision of Jonathan A. Benjamin, M.D., at his private practice at 1400 Centre Street, Suite 203, Newton Centre, Massachusetts, until or on about September 4, 2013.
3. The Licensee acknowledges that the allegations contained in the Complaint provide sufficient grounds for the Board to take disciplinary action against her Physician Assistant license pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws ("M.G.L.") Chapter 112, § 9I; M.G.L. c. 112, § 61; and Board regulations at 263 Code of Massachusetts Regulations ("CMR") 3.05(2) governing license renewal.
4. In full resolution of the Complaint, and without the necessity of additional proceedings, the Licensee agrees to enter into this Consent Agreement ("Agreement") by which the Board imposes a REPRIMAND on her Physician Assistant license for her conduct acknowledged in Paragraph 2, above, effective on the date on which the Board signs this Agreement ("Effective Date"). The Licensee understands that a Reprimand constitutes disciplinary action by the Board.

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5. The Board agrees that in return for the Licensee's execution of this Agreement, it will not prosecute the Complaint.
6. The Licensee understands that she has a right to a formal adjudicatory hearing concerning the allegations against her and that during said adjudication she would possess the right to confront and cross-examine witnesses, to call witnesses, to present evidence, to testify on her own behalf, to contest the allegations, to present oral argument, to appeal to the courts, and all other rights as set forth in the Massachusetts Administrative Procedure Act, M.G.L. c. 30A, and the Standard Adjudicatory Rules of Practice and Procedure, 801 CMR 1.01 *et seq.* The Licensee further understands that by executing this Agreement she is knowingly and voluntarily waiving her right to a formal adjudication of the Complaint.
7. The Licensee acknowledges that she has been at all times free to seek and use legal counsel in connection with the complaint and this Agreement.
8. The Licensee acknowledges that after its Effective Date, this Agreement constitutes a "public record" within the meaning of M.G.L. c. 4, § 7, of disciplinary action by the Board and as such is subject to public disclosure. The Board may forward a copy of this Agreement to other licensing boards, law enforcement entities, and other individuals or entities as required or permitted by law.
9. The Licensee certifies that she has read this Agreement. The Licensee understands and agrees that entering into this Agreement is a final act and not subject to reconsideration, appeal, or judicial review.
10. The licensee agrees to return to the Board at its office at 239 Causeway Street, Suite 500, Boston, Massachusetts 02114, either by hand or by mail, the two (2) enclosed duplicate originals of this Consent Agreement for Reprimand signed by the Licensee, witnessed and dated, no later than fifteen (15) days from her receipt of this Agreement.

By the Licensee:

Kathleen M. Caruso PA-C

Kathleen M. Caruso, PA-C
(sign and date)

x Ernest A. Caruso
Witness (sign and date) 11/14/13

ERNEST A. CARUSO
Witness (print name)

By the Board:

Ichelle Herbu

Ichelle Herbu
Assistant Executive Director

11/13/13
Effective Date of Agreement

Fully signed original copy of Agreement sent to Licensee on 11/15/13 by JP, Certified
Mail No. 7012 04 70 000135 26 6844